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FOR KUBISCH AND USOAS HENDERSON

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SUBJECT: PLANNING FOR OAS CIES QUITO AND OASGA ATLANTA--
FUNDING

1. HOPING TO PROFIT FROM EXPERIENCE GAINED THIS MEETING HAVE
FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO MAKE IN PLANNING
FOR ABOVE MEETINGS:

A. THE OAS EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE MEETING AT SANTO
DOMINGO WAS ATTENDED BY FOURTEEN MINISTERS OF EDUCATION AND OTHER
HIGH LEVEL OFFICIALS, AN OVERALL TOTAL OF 134. THE US
FIELDDED A DELEGATION OF TEN PLUS TWO SUPPORT STAFF, BRAZIL
FIELDDED ELEVEN, VENEZUELA THIRTEEN AND HOST COUNTRY DOMREP
TWENTY-SIX.

COMMENT: USDEL CIECC WAS CORRECT SIZE AND EVERY SINGLE
ONE OF THEM DID YEOMAN WORK DESPITE HANDICAP OF BEING ISOLATED
IN HOTEL FAR AWAY FROM HOTEL HOUSING MOST LATIN DELEGATIONS.

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AFTER CONSULTATION WITH OAS SECRETARIAT ABOUT WHERE LATINS ARE

GOING TO STAY; HOTEL RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE WELL IN ADVANCE. AS ALWAYS DOCUMENTS OFFICER PROVED ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL AND BECAUSE OF INEFFICIENCY OF OAS SECRETARIAT PLANNING, LATTER HAD TO RELY ON USOAS DOCUMENTS REFERENCE LIBRARY CARRIED TO SANTO DOMINGO IN ORDER TO KEEP CONFERENCE GOING.

2. THIS CIECC MEETING REPRESENTS FOR ME OVER SIX YEARS OF BEING ENGAGED IN CONFERENCE PLANNING. AFTER CAREFUL EXAMINATION OF AGENDA, EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH SPECIALISTS IN ALL AREAS COVERED BY AGENDA PLUS USE OF STANDARD CALCULATIONS ON DELEGATION SIZE (SEE USDEL SIX) AND APPROVAL OF DELEGATION BY ARA, IT TOOK MANY DAYS OF HIGHLY VALUABLE TIME OF VICE-CHAIRMAN, SUBSEQUENTLY CHARIMAN OF USDEL, IN ORDER TO BE ASSURED OF A FULLY FUNDED AND ADEQUATE DELEGATION.

3. ABOVE SITUATION RIDICULOUSLY TIES UP THE USDEL IN CRITICALLY IMPORTANT PERIOD WHEN ALL AVAILABLE TIME IS NEEDED TO LEARN SUBJECT MATTER AND INSURE US POSITIONS. IT IS DIFFICULT TO DELEGATE THE NEGOTIATING GAME FOR ONLY HE HAS THE CONVICTION OF WHAT HE FEELS HE NEEDS, AND USUALLY HE IS THE BEST POKER PLAYER.

4. THIS PROBLEM IS NOT NEW. IT HAS LONG EXISTED AND PROBABLY STEMS FROM FACT THAT BUDGETARY-WIFE USDELS ARE NOT FULL FUNDED, AND, THEREFORE, OIC IS NOT EXPECTED TO PICK UP FULL TAB, BUT TO SHARE EXPENSES WITH INTERESTED BUREAU.

5. WHAT RESULTS IS A POKER PLAYING SYNDROME OF QUOTE I'LL PLAY FOR FIVE IF YOU GET THE OTHERS TO PICK UP THE REST. IN MEANTIME DELEGATION LIST MUST BE KEPT SECRET AND HEAD OF DELEGATION CANNOT REVEAL WHO IS GOING UNTIL HE HAS A FUNDING SOURCE. IN FACT I WAS NOT ABLE TO TELL ONE MEMBER OF MY DELEGATION OF THE TRIP TO SANTO DOMINGO UNTIL THE EVENING OF THE DAY BEFORE OUR DEPARTURE. AT ONE POINT IN THIS GAME, USDEL CHAIRMAN, UNDER-SECRETARY CARLUCCI OF HEW OFFERED TO PAY HIS OWN WAY BUT I POLITELY DECLINED HIS KIND OFFER.

RECOMMENDATION FOR PLANNING FOR QUITO AND ATLANTA:

THAT THERE BE FORMED IMMEDIATELY A PERMANENT CONFERENCE FUNDING WORKING GROUP COMPOSED OF APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS OF IO, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AID, OIC AND ARA TO COME UP WITH SOME ANSWERS TO THIS PROBLEM. HURWITCH

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